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Abstract

The present invention relates compositions and methods involving hybrid α -amylases derived from the α -amylases of the bacteria species *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* and *Bacillus licheniformis*. In one embodiment, the hybrid α -amylases are used in detergents and cleaning agents.